



# Civic Loop

Promoting Recycling through Community Leadership



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## Recycling Efforts Recognized

### Holiday Recycling Slide Collection Schedule

#### Labor Day (September 7, 2015)

If your collection date normally would be:	Your collection day this week is:
Monday, September 7, 2015	Tuesday, September 8, 2015
Tuesday, September 8, 2015	Wednesday, September 9, 2015
Wednesday, September 9, 2015	Thursday, September 10, 2015
Thursday, September 10, 2015	Friday, September 11, 2015
Friday, September 11, 2015	Saturday, September 12, 2015

#### Veterans Day (November 11, 2015)

If your collection date normally would be:	Your collection day this week is:
Monday-Tuesday, November 9-10, 2015	No Change
Wednesday, November 11, 2015	Thursday, November 12, 2015
Thursday, November 12, 2015	Friday, November 13, 2015
Friday, November 13, 2015	Saturday, November 14, 2015

**Remember to always place your recycling containers at the curb by 7:00 a.m. on your recycling day.**

#### Columbus Day (October 12, 2015)

Columbus Day is **NOT** a County-observed holiday. There is **no change** to County-provided collection services for the week of October 12-16, 2015.

Montgomery County recognized the contributions of residents, multi-family properties, property managers, staff and residents, and businesses and employees for their efforts to increase recycling and reduce waste in support of the County's efforts to keep our land, air and water clean. Montgomery County Executive Isiah Leggett congratulated the recipients during the 16th Annual Recycling Achievement Recognition Ceremony held on May 20, 2015 in North Bethesda for their efforts to reduce waste, recycle, buy recycled products and motivate others to do more.



*County Executive Isiah Leggett challenges individuals, businesses, and multi-family properties to reduce waste and increase their efforts to recycle 70% by 2020 during the 16th Annual Recycling Achievement Recognition Ceremony.*

Montgomery County's current waste diversion rate is 60.2 percent. To reach the County's goal to reduce waste and recycle 70 percent by 2020, everyone living, working, visiting and shopping in the County must recycle everything that can be recycled. Contact the Montgomery County Division of Solid Waste Services (DSWS) - Waste Reduction and Recycling Section - to schedule recycling presentations for your community or group association, property or business. For more information, call Alan Pultyniewicz, Recycling Coordinator, at 240-777-6480. Keep it going! Recycle more now!



*Recycling recognition recipients and guests look over an educational display with information about Montgomery County's recycling program during the 16th Annual Recycling Achievement Recognition Ceremony.*

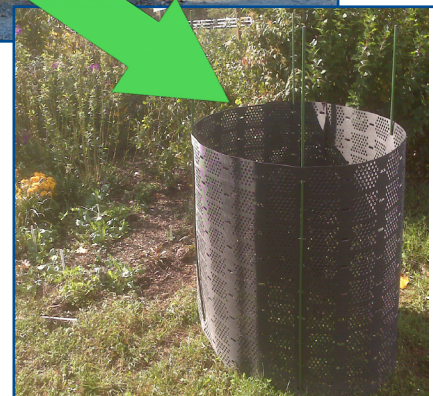
*Alan Pultyniewicz*

Recycling Coordinator

# Compost Yard Trim (Grass, Leaves & Garden Trimmings) at Home

This fall, recycle yard trim material such as leaves and garden trimmings in your own backyard, instead of raking and placing yard trim in paper lawn bags or in reusable containers and placing them at the curb for weekly yard trim recycling collection.

Instead, consider placing leaves, grass clippings and garden trimmings in a compost bin. Over time, microorganisms will break down the organic matter leaving behind a nutrient-rich soil amendment. This beneficial soil amendment can be mixed with top soil or potting soil, or be used as a top dressing on your lawn. The Division of Solid Waste Services provides compost bins to residents of Montgomery County at no additional charge. Compost bins can be picked-up at 20 locations throughout Montgomery County. For a complete list of locations, visit [www.montgomerycountymd.gov/yardtrim](http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/yardtrim) or call 311 or 240-777-0311. Many of the compost bin pick-up locations offer evening and weekend hours.



## Montgomery County Bans the Use and Sale of Expanded Polystyrene Food Service Ware and Polystyrene Loose Fill Packaging



The Montgomery County Council enacted Bill 41-14 on January 20, 2015 which bans the use and sale of expanded polystyrene food service ware and loose fill packaging in Montgomery County. Several deadlines are associated with this law and are as follows:

- Prohibits food service businesses from using expanded polystyrene (also known as foam or Styrofoam®) food service ware effective January 1, 2016
- Prohibits the sale of polystyrene loose fill packaging (also known as packing peanuts) and expanded polystyrene food service products effective January 1, 2016
- All county agencies, contractors, and lessees must use compostable or recyclable food service ware by January 1, 2016
- All other food service businesses are required to use compostable or recyclable food service ware by January 1, 2017

The law applies to all food service businesses, including full-service restaurants, limited-service restaurants, fast food restaurants, cafes, delicatessens, coffee shops, supermarkets, grocery stores, vending trucks or carts, food trucks, and businesses or institutional cafeterias located in Montgomery County, Maryland. This also includes all food service operated by or on behalf of Montgomery County departments and agencies, as well as other businesses selling or providing food within the County for consumption on or off the premises. The Division of Solid Waste Services is developing educational materials and will provide technical assistance to businesses to assist them with the law. Visit our website at [www.montgomerycountymd.gov/recycling](http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/recycling) for the latest information.

**Keep It Going! Recycle More Now.**



# 16th Annual Montgomery County Recycling Awareness Week

The Division of Solid Waste Services recognized outstanding achievements in recycling, waste reduction, reuse, buying recycled-content products and educational efforts by local businesses, organizations, multi-family apartment and condominium properties, residents and individuals. Honorees were recognized at the 16th Annual Recycling Achievement Recognition Program held at the Bethesda North Marriott Hotel and Montgomery County Conference Center on May 20, 2015. Loo Katz, host of the Morning Show on 97.1 WASH-FM, gave the keynote speech, and joined County Executive Isiah Leggett, County Council Vice President Nancy Floreen, Council Member Roger Berliner, and Department of Environmental Protection Director Lisa Feldt in presiding over the recognition ceremony.

Recognition was given for efforts including: recycling more than 70 percent of waste generated; implementing increased recycling and waste reduction activities; and contributing exemplary volunteer service to increase overall awareness and participation in the county's recycling programs. The categories and recipients are as follows:

## OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP EFFORTS TO INCREASE RECYCLING AWARENESS

Theresa Babicki, Good Earth, Potomac; Alena Biagas, Habitat for Humanity Metro Maryland ReStore, Gaithersburg; Betty Denne, Damascus Library, Damascus; Susan Eisendrath, Rockville; Michelle Fang, Rockville; Alexander Guzman, Germantown; Kimberly Guzman, Germantown; Freeman Lee, Germantown; Bebe McMeekin, Bethesda; and Ten Thousand Villages, Rockville.

## MULTI-FAMILY PROPERTY EXCELLENCE IN RECYCLING

Avalon at Grosvenor Station, North Bethesda; Berkshires at Rock Spring, Bethesda; Churchill Senior Living; Germantown; The Sterling, North Bethesda; Victory Terrace, Potomac; The Waterford Condominium, Kensington; Willow Manor at Cloppers Mill, Germantown; and Willow Manor at Colesville, Silver Spring.

## MULTI-FAMILY PROPERTY OUTSTANDING EFFORT IN RECYCLING

Asbury Methodist Village, Gaithersburg; Cherry Knoll Apartments, Germantown; Colonnade at Kentlands, Rockville; Decoverly IV Condominium, Bethesda; Jefferson at Inigo's Crossing, North Bethesda; The Promenade, Bethesda; Riderwood Village, Silver Spring; and The Riviera of Chevy Chase, Chevy Chase.

## MULTI-FAMILY PROPERTY OUTSTANDING INDIVIDUAL ACHIEVEMENT IN RECYCLING

Louise Liu, Seneca Knolls Condominium, Germantown; and Margo Morrison, Friends House Retirement Community, Sandy Spring.

## MULTI-FAMILY PROPERTY OUTSTANDING INDIVIDUAL ACHIEVEMENT IN RECYCLING

Thomas Doody, Brookside Apartments, Kensington; and Elieth Montiel, The Willoughby of Chevy Chase Condominium, Chevy Chase.

## EXCELLENCE IN RECYCLING – BUSINESS

The Bartley Corporation, Ashton; Daly Computers, Inc., Clarksburg; Fitzgerald Auto Malls, Kensington; IBM Gaithersburg, Gaithersburg; and Landon School Corporation, Bethesda.

## OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN RECYCLING – BUSINESS

6905 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda; 9200, 9211, 9221 Corporate Boulevard, Bethesda; 20250, 20251, 20201, 20300 Century Boulevard, Germantown; Baneker Ventures, LLC, Silver Spring; Bretton Woods Golf Course, Germantown; Briggs Chaney Walk-

In Clinic, LLC, Silver Spring; Chapala Restaurant, Burtonsville; Chevy Chase Metro Building, Chevy Chase; Clifford, Debelius, Boynton & Hyatt, CHTD., Gaithersburg; DePerini Metal Fabricators, Gaithersburg; Five Below, Rockville; The Ivymount School, Rockville; The Manor Montessori School, Potomac; Matchbox, Rockville; McLean School of Maryland, Potomac; Merry Maids, Silver Spring; NCR Corporation, Germantown; The Primary Day School, Bethesda; Raw Ink Studio, Gaithersburg; RCT Endodontics, Silver Spring; Rockville Swim Fitness Center, Rockville; Takoma Park Co-op, Takoma Park; Unique Thrift Store, Silver Spring; and the United States Department of Energy, Germantown.



Left to right: Eileen Kao, Chief, Waste Reduction and Recycling Section, DSWS; Loo Katz, Morning Show Host, 97.1 WASH FM; Council Vice President Nancy Floreen; David Saltz, Manager, Ten Thousand Villages, Rockville; County Executive Isiah Leggett; Lisa Feldt, Director, Department of Environmental Protection; and Alan Pultyniewicz, DSWS.

## OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN RECYCLING – INDIVIDUAL

Luis Alvarado, The Peterson Companies, Silver Spring; Deine Avila, Red Coats, Inc., Bethesda; Valle Bonhag, Carl M. Freeman Companies, Rockville; Catherine Costopoulos, REIT Management & Research, LLC, Rockville; Tony Durso, NCR Corporation, Germantown; Joe Fitzgibbon, Red Coats, Inc., Bethesda; Joel Flores, Aramark, Potomac; Brittany Frankel, The Peterson Companies, Silver Spring; Tiesha Hackley, Brookfield Office Properties, Silver Spring; Brittany Hilliker, Brookfield Office Properties, Bethesda; Eleanor Hough, Willco, Potomac; Ariell Lawrence, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda; Stacey Longenecker, Piedmont Office Realty Trust, Bethesda; Bob Mallasch, Bob's Bikes, Poolesville; Jeanne A. Nabavi, Geico, Chevy Chase; Kathy Oates, Site Realty Group, Silver Spring; William Ortega-Ortiz, Walter Reed National Military Medical Center Naval Support Activity Bethesda; Bethesda; Josue Ortiz Maltez, ABM, Silver Spring; Mary Riegert, Finmarc Management, Bethesda; Digna Sorto, ABM, Silver Spring; and Chris Yorro, Jones Lang LaSalle, Silver Spring.

# Calendar of Events



## **DSWS Confidential Paper Shredding/Recycling and Clothing/Household Goods Donation Reuse Event**

- Saturday, September 12, 2015 (10:00am-2:00pm)  
Walter Johnson High School; 6400 Rock Spring Drive, Bethesda

## **Poolesville Day**

- Saturday, September 19, 2015 (10:00am-4:00pm)  
Along Fisher Avenue and in Whalen Common Park, Poolesville

## **Burtonsville Day**

- Saturday, September 26, 2015 (10:00am-3:00pm)  
14906 Old Columbia Pike, Burtonsville

## **DSWS Confidential Paper Shredding/Recycling and Clothing/Household Goods Donation Reuse Event**

- Sunday, October 4, 2015 (10:00am - 2:00pm)  
John F. Kennedy High School; 1901 Randolph Road, Silver Spring

## **Oktoberfest at the Kentlands**

- Sunday, October 11, 2015  
(12:00-5:00pm)  
821 Center Point Way, Gaithersburg

## **Potomac Day**

- Saturday, October 24, 2015 (10:00am-3:00pm)  
9812 Falls Road, Potomac, MD 20854

## **DSWS Confidential Paper Shredding/Recycling and Clothing/Household Goods Donation Reuse Event**

- Saturday, November 14, 2015 (10:00am-2:00pm)  
Northwest High School; 13501 Richter Farm Road, Germantown

## **Silver Spring Thanksgiving Parade**

- Saturday, November 21, 2015 (Parade begins at 10:00am); Downtown Silver Spring



## Contact Information

### **Montgomery County, Maryland**

### **Department of Environmental Protection**

### **Division of Solid Waste Services**

### **Waste Reduction and Recycling Section**

Contact: Alan Pultyniewicz, Recycling Coordinator  
101 Monroe Street, 6th Floor  
Rockville, Maryland 20850

Website: [www.montgomerycountymd.gov/recycling](http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/recycling)

Customer Service: Call 3-1-1 or (240) 777-0311 (outside Montgomery County)

TTY: (301) 251-4850

Call (301) 417-1433 to schedule tours of the [Montgomery County Recycling Center](#) for groups of 10 or more people. Tours are scheduled Mondays through Thursdays.

This information is available in an alternate format by calling Alan Pultyniewicz at (240) 777-6480.



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